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Christmas Day at Home was the finest and coldest for years.

The Mexican rebels have abandoned their attack on Tampico.

In the second Test Match South Africa scored 160 runs in their first innings.

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SECRET

"1888" appears to-day on

this issue.

Log book and general news appears on pages 6 and 3 respectively.

The army team defeated the navy team yesterday at football by five goals to two.

Hongkong cricket club were beaten by the Services team in the two days match.

An interesting article entitled, "Panama, and our dollar" appears in to-day's issue.

THE BANGKOK FAILURES.

on the 16th inst
Commercial

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the Sino-Siam Bank which has
approached Government for assistance
in view of a possible run on the
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Joseph's College.
Wednesday December 31.
Kowloon Dock Ball—8 p.m.
Friday January 2.
Taikoo Club Ball—8.45 p.m.
Monday January 5.
Peak School Opens.
Tuesday, January 6.
G. Fenwick and Co. Ltd., in
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shareholders. No. 5, Queen's Road
Central—noon.
Friday January 16.
Engineers' Ball, City Hall—9

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Reporting on the Bangkok failures the Bangkok correspondent of the *Pinang Gazette* wired as follows on the 16th instant:—
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GENERAL NEWS

Cost of Expelling Alien Lunatics.

The Finance Committee of the L.C.C. has reported with reference to the proposed expulsion of three pauper lunatics under the Aliens Act, that the Home Secretary adheres to his decision to request the council to bear half the expense. The estimated cost of removing the three patients is £92, £23, and £34 respectively.

The London Policeman.

Out of the 21,000 men who compose the Metropolitan Police Force all but eleven have entered through the ranks. During the past few years (said Sir E. Henry at the opening of Hampstead new police station) 16,000 new men were placed on the streets every year after six weeks' training, and their conduct was most exemplary.

The Great Western Road.

Plans have now been prepared for the proposed new Great Western Road, the first of several projected roads which, it is hoped, may become national thoroughfares from London to other great centres of population. The new road will run from about Kew Bridge to Hounslow Barracks, where it will join the main Bath Road. It will be 80 ft. in width throughout, and will provide for six or seven lines of traffic, with ample footpaths.

Liverpool Cathedral.

At a meeting of the executive committee of Liverpool Cathedral, it was reported that Mr. Earle had paid in the £10,000 which he offered three years ago on condition that a further sum of £35,000 was still needed to complete that portion of the Cathedral now building. Bath turrets at the south end of the choir had been built to their full height of 102 ft., the gable between seven turrets was completed, and the outer walls on both sides of the choir had been built to their full height of 120 ft.

Compulsory Evening School.

Mr. Oscar E. Warburg, at a meeting of the Education Committee of the L.C.C., said it was matter for serious consideration that for the first time since 1906 there had been a decrease in evening schools enrolment amounting to 7,029, or about 1 per cent. The Board of Education was of opinion that progress was being made in teaching and organization, but the proportion of students who did not persevere was lamentable large. That of the enrolment of 708,259, 123,877 failed to attend at least 14 hours in the year. Of the 708,259 students enrolled 222,043 were over 21 years of age, 177,841 were between 17 and 21, and 307,475 were under 17. Discussing the report, Lord Cheylesmore said the Council might ultimately have to propose compulsion.

Larger London Station.

Owing to the general increase of traffic during the past few years the Great Western Railway has been obliged to extend Paddington Station. To the east of the present arrival platforms three additional platforms are being built for the accommodation of arriving trains. Hitherto this accommodation has been in times of heavy pressure more than fully occupied. The new platforms will tend to smoother working at these times, and to increased punctuality. Space for the new platforms has been found by raising the road which has been used by cabs when empty for entering the station from Praed Street. No. 9 has been the last platform hitherto. In future there will be Nos. 10, 11, and 12 in addition, all of which will be used for ordinary traffic arriving at Paddington. No. 12 is already finished, and has, in fact, been opened. In addition to the ordinary traffic this platform will be used for the purpose of dealing with milk at certain times of the day. Cabs have been taken in making the extension to arrange the new platforms in such a way that Paddington will still be able to preserve its title to be one of the most compact and convenient railway stations in London.

SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM.

First Institution in the World.

"The only University for a journalist in a newspaper office," is a time-honoured axiom with pressmen the world over, and, apparently, its truth has been fully realised by the University of Missouri in connection with which was established some years ago the first school of journalism in the world. The outstanding feature of the school is the publication day by day of a thoroughly up-to-date evening newspaper, produced entirely by the students under the supervision of the professors (who are trained newspaper men), which is entirely unsubsidised, carries advertisements, and is more than paying its way in spite of the strong opposition of two well-produced evening journals in the same city.

Interesting information concerning this unique and successful University venture was given to a Times of Ceylon representative by Mr. Walter Williams, Dean of the School of Journalism, University of Missouri, U.S.A. Mr. Williams has taken a year off from his school work for the purpose of studying the world's journalism and the environment in which this journalism is produced. "Each country can learn something from any other country in matters of journalism as in all other matters," the French can teach us something in the art of expression, the Germans in the serious way in which they present information, British journalism in its treatment of great world events, and it is the same with other countries," were the words in which Mr. Williams summarised the object of his present world tour.

World's Tour.

It is five months ago since he left Missouri, and so far he has visited England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales, France, Holland and Belgium, Germany, Russia ("I found one of the brightest newspapers in the world at Moscow," was Mr. Williams' comment), Austria-Hungary, and Italy. In England and on the Continent our visitor did not confine himself to a study of the important news papers, but visited the byways as well as the highways of European journalism, paying attention alike to the marvellous organisation of some of the principal London offices, to the method of treatment of local affairs by the more influential provincial dailies, to the time-saving ingenuity of busy evening, and to bi-weeklies and weeklies with their tedious verbatim reports combined with an ever expanding cult of the trivial. He is no more blind to the faults of the American press (although he thinks those faults have been exaggerated) than he is to the faults of the British, French and German press.

In his own words he thinks "journalism can best be taught by finding out the best in the journalism of other countries and endeavouring to apply it to the journalism of our own country (in my case the United States)." Mr. Williams laughingly remarked that he expected to hold the unchallenged record of having rubbed shoulders with more journalists than any other man in the world when he returned to Missouri in seven months' time, for, from here, he intends travelling through India, then on to Australia and home by way of China and Japan. Next year he hopes to visit South America.

Questioned as to the Missouri School of Journalism, Mr. Williams expressed himself as proud of his connection with the world's pioneer school of journalism. As has been stated already, the distinguishing feature of the Missouri University venture is the publication of a daily afternoon newspaper (the University Miscellany) with circulation and advertisements, which must come out on time and must pay its own way. One of the two opposition papers is a particularly bright and clever production, and both are good examples of American evening journalism.

The Training.

"We have an enrolment of more than 200 students, men and women, for the Collegiate system

in the State is co-educational, but there are only about half a dozen women students in the school," Mr. Williams continued. "The student must have two years of College work before he can get in, and then three years of professional work in the school of journalism before he can obtain a degree. The training consists of actual work on a newspaper, in addition to the usual subjects included in an ordinary University course. We get a number of men who have taken their degrees elsewhere, and who come to us for their professional training. The School of Journalism is co-ordinate with and on the same plan as the School of Law or the School of Medicine, or other professional schools. You must remember that school in America means a Professional College and the University is made up of colleges and schools. The degree conferred at the end of three years is that of B. J. (Bachelor of Journalism)."

"We pride ourselves on what may be called our laboratory method or the teaching of journalism by doing it, with the difference that, whereas you and I have had to learn without instruction, in the school the members of the Faculty train the students day by day. The students have to do everything in a newspaper office from proof reading to leader writing. They go through all the stages of journalism; they act as reporters, as given work as writers of special articles or of descriptive accounts, as copy readers (or sub-editors as you call them), as headline writers, and are trained in the handling of telegrams and in the rewriting of 'flimsies.' The members of the Faculty, who are trained newspaper men, act in the various senior capacities. I am Editor in Chief, we have a City Editor, News Editor, etc., and all the other senior posts of an ordinary evening newspaper. Then we have a man who teaches advertising work—how to get advertisements, how to write and how to display them."

"In order that the students may feel their sense of responsibility and their personal interest in the conduct of the newspaper the entire student body constitutes the University Miscellany Association, which owns the newspaper. Each student in the school is what you would call a shareholder in the company, and once a year they meet, elect a Board of Directors and that Board selects a Managing-Editor or Manager and, in this way, the direction of the policy of the paper is determined by the students themselves."

Mr. Williams stated that students attended the college from all parts of the world. Some twelve or fifteen countries were represented and the students included two Chinese and two Japanese.

B. I. AND EASTERN SHIPPING.

The Pinang Gazette understands that the long contemplated deal between the British Steam Navigation Co. and the Eastern Shipping Co. is now practically completed. The ownership of the latter's fleet and business will from the 1st instant pass to the B. I., but our information, which comes from Calcutta, is to the effect that no immediate and drastic changes are contemplated. The present steamers will be taken off gradually and replaced by suitable B. I. boats which have done service in other waters. For some years, too, there is a likelihood that the local management as regards the coastal trade now in the hands of the Eastern Shipping Co., will continue unchanged, while the direction of affairs will be from London and not from Calcutta. The rumoured early termination of the freight war between the B. I. and the N. Y. K. is also confirmed by our informant. Singapore Free Press.

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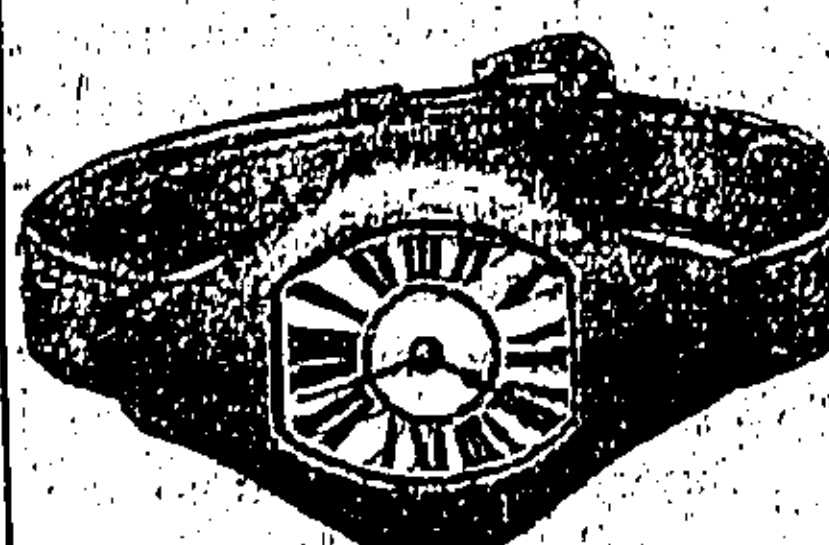
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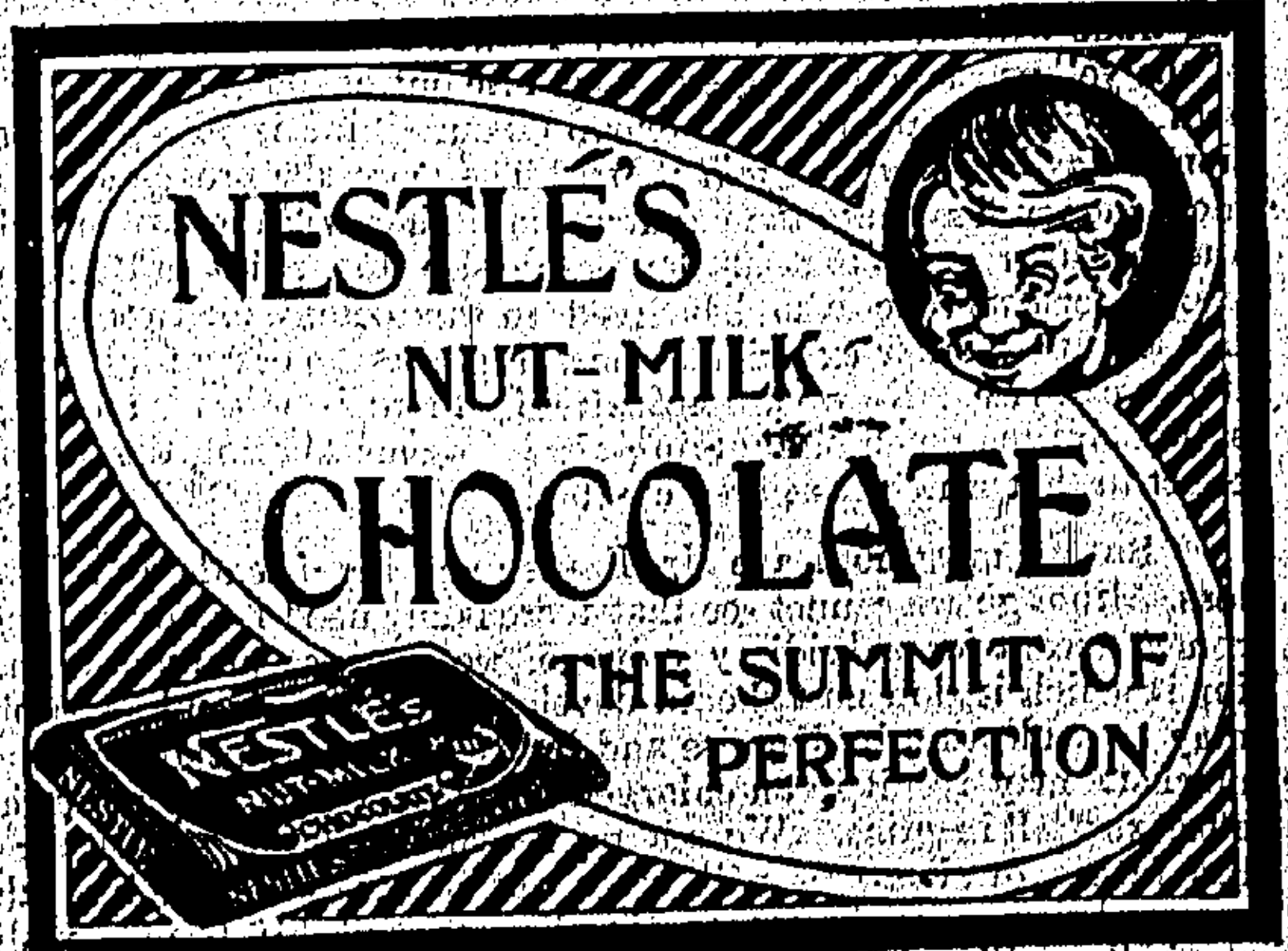
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The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1913.

CHINESE AND INDIAN CURRENCY.

We publish in to-day's issue some extracts from an article on the Indian Currency question by Mr. Moreton Frewen in the "Nineteenth Century" of the kind which we are now accustomed to expect from that ardent bi-metalist. He is of course very severe on the action of the Indian Government in instituting a gold standard but when one recalls the state of India's finances before that measure, one must admit that some such action was necessary if the Indian Government were to avoid bankruptcy. We quite sympathise with Mr. Frewen and his friends in the losses which holders of silver have suffered by the fall in price, but we cannot understand why they should demand special legislation for it any more than for any other commodity which falls in value. It is a question of supply and demand and of the weaker going to the wall. It is always hard on the weaker but such is the law and having said this we can do no more. We do not fly to legislation when Copper or Tin fall and our silver friends must realise that they are in the same boat and that silver is only another metal. Mr. Frewen approves of the free coinage of silver by India, France and the United States by which he says 11 rupees or 3 taels or 5 dollars would buy a sovereign but he objects to India's present arrangement by which the value of the rupee has been raised to 15 to the sovereign, although the real value is about 24 to the pound. The only difference seems to us to be in degree. Nor does he show any reason why we should be forced to accept 11 rupees when we ought to be paid 24, for although he points out glowing colours the disasters to China's imports from low silver he has to admit in the same breath that her exports are thereby stimulated to the same extent. The only evil is the fluctuations in exchange but these have not been great of late years and if Mr. Frewen and his friends will leave legislation alone and let silver fight its own battle, are not likely to be repeated.

If we understand Mr. Frewen aright great disaster is to flow from the present system in India by which the rupee is maintained at 15/4d but if so how much more will disaster befall her if she adopts Mr. Frewen's ideas and forces the value up to 1/10? We quite believe that a day of reckoning must arrive for countries which artificially maintain the dollar at 4/2 and the rupee at 1/4, when the real exchange value of the one is under 2/ and of the other about tenpence, but we cannot agree that artificial measures will improve matters—quite the contrary—and the only advice we can give them is to set their houses in order, face the loss and get on a good basis as quickly as possible; and that we understand is the wish and intention of the Indian Government.

As for China, to come nearer home, Mr. Frewen admits that the low price of silver and low silver wages of her people stimulate her exports and enable her to manufacture for herself goods which she formerly imported from Europe and America so the result is far from being disastrous to her or other silver-using countries. No doubt the ideal for both India and China is a gold currency, and India has made one step towards it by adopting a gold standard but China must, we fear, remain for many a long day yet on a silver basis. She will suffer as India suffered by the loss on payments abroad in gold, but not to the same extent, as she is not compelled, as India is, to maintain a great number of foreign officials on high salaries or to make huge remittances to England to provide for the payment of pensions and other expenses attending the administration of her government by Great Britain. As long as China is tied to the use of silver she must take full advantage of the benefit her export trade will derive from it and avoid to the best of her ability taking loans from other countries payable in gold. By developing her resources, by more efficient methods in tea growing and silk production, by refraining from wasting money on large armies or a costly navy, and by strict economy and honesty in all government departments she can live within her income and carry on a flourishing trade with all the world. Mr. Frewen's impressive pictures of the yellow races driving everyone else out of business leaves us cold. With cheap silver and cheap labour China is in a good position to-day but how long will it last? The more she prospers and the more money flows into the country the higher will the cost of living and labour rise. We need not emphasise this point to Hongkong people for everyone who has lived in this colony for twenty years has learnt by bitter experience how rapidly the cost of labour and living can rise. No we are not afraid; there is a law of compensation and too much of anything always seems to bring the contrary effect to that which it at first created.

But we must not leave Mr. Frewen and his friends quite hopeless. Although we cannot see that there is any need for silver as currency, except for subsidiary coinage, we can see many other uses for it which its low cost should develop. Cheap silver like rubber may be a blessing in disguise and increased consumption and new markets may result in an enlarged turn-over which may more than offset the fall in price. We see no reason whatever to despair of the future of silver—it will work out its own salvation like other commodities—but the sinner Mr. Frewen and his friends realise that silver like the housemaid is to be let alone and that no good reason can be shown for artificially raising its value in gold by special legislation the better it will be for the metal itself.

Bright Hopes.

Britishers generally will have welcomed the announcement contained in a telegram which we published yesterday concerning the much-disputed Panama Canal tolls question. The new attitude of the United States Government is to suspend the provision exempting American coastwise vessels from the tolls for two years, after the expiration of which period the President will have the right to enforce the exemption "if diplomatic questions are adjusted and the revenue from other vessels suffice to defray the Canal expenses". In face of existing Treaty obligations, America undoubtedly made a mistake in proposing the exemption, however natural it might appear that she should secure some material advantage from the great work she has carried through. However, the error is now being adjusted in the best possible manner, and we have great hopes that long before the expiration of the two years, the matter will be satisfactorily adjusted.

The Christmas Disaster.

Once again the Angel of Death has been abroad in the land at Christmas. The shadow of his wings has darkened the festive season. It is not altogether curious that there should be calamitous happenings at Christmas, for there is, on railways for example, an extra pressure at this season and perhaps, on occasion, a lessening of attention. But that does not explain the disaster in America. A false alarm of fire was raised by a bearded man at a children's celebration, and in the panic which ensued, over fifty children and some men and women were killed. The man who plays a trick of this kind should either be in an asylum or hanged for murder. He is a serious public danger. There can be no purpose in this kind of work beyond that of satisfying the bloodthirsty cravings of some mad man who is at large by mistake. Any how it seems as though Christmas can never pass without its dark happenings.

DANGEROUS CHARACTER

Belaboured Workmate with Chopper and Hammer.

According to the story told by Acting Inspector Garrard, to Mr. Wood, at the Police Court, this morning, a Chinese carpenter had a quarrel with a workmate at Mount Austin Barracks, and becoming heated, struck the other man with a chopper and a hammer, inflicting three wounds. The man assaulted ran to Indian constable 379, and the constable, who saw the defendant giving chase, arrested him.

Defendant said they had a quarrel over some tools which were his. By "mistake somehow" he struck the complainant with the chopper and the hammer.

A sentence of three weeks' imprisonment was passed.

TYPHOON WARNING.

The telegram quoted below was received by the American Consulate General Hongkong from the Manila observatory at 9.30 a.m. on December 25:—

Cyclone or Typhoon—E. of Southern Luzon. Moving N.W. N. W.

The following telegram was received at 11.50 a.m. on December 26:—

Cyclone or Typhoon—E. of Luzon more than 300 miles distant, recurring Northeastward.

Flintshire Sold.

The Ellerman Line has acquired from the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company the steamer Flintshire, of 2,404 tons net register, which was until recently on the Far Eastern run and has renamed her the Algerian.

DAY BY DAY

"NOTHING TRULY CAN BE MADE MY OWN BUT WHAT I MAKE MY OWN BY USING WELL."—Middleton.

The Mails.

Australian Mail.—Left per a.s. Coblenz at 9 a.m. to-day.

Siberian Mail.—Closes per a.s. Kanchowat 1 p.m. to-day.

To Consignees.

Consignees of cargo by the a.s. Kandahar and the a.s. Silasia are reminded that goods remaining undelivered after Monday will be subject to rest.

Hongkong Christian Union.

Mr. E. T. Williams will speak at the meeting of the Hongkong Christian Union at St. Paul's College on Monday next at 5.30 p.m.

Alleged Gamblers.

Inspector Dymond arrested seventeen men on a gambling warrant at 246, Queen's Road West, yesterday. Nine, who were allowed out in bail of \$5 each, failed to appear at the Police Court, this morning, and their bail was estreated. The other eight were remanded for legal representation.

An Excellent Drink.

Messrs Michael & Co. have sent us a goodly sample of their Pilsener Beer which has been found an excellent table beer for the holiday season, and for all other seasons. The same may be said of their Gold Leaf Beer which can be recommended. These are finely-flavoured beers which all lovers of a really good beer should by no means neglect to try.

THE "TELEGRAPH'S" ACROSTIC.

PILLARS.

Good old Bill! They've got you through.

It's time that Hongkong had one too.

BARS.

1.—A saline wit. Against the sky.

The home of genius we spy.

2.—A suffragist bird from a southerly land.

Its head is not seen; but it's not in the sand.

3.—"At Chester, while he lived at more than kingly charge,

"Eight tributary kings, there rowed him in a barge."

4.—May help to keep a stable hand.

Or may be highest in the land.

5.—Is it light—fair dealing's great upholder—

Just to leave me thus with the law's cold shoulder.

6.—We can't spend the winter in Swiss resorts;

So this must suffice for a trip of sorts.

7.—One of a number that of late we've seen,

But up to the present no use it's been.

8.—If the Christmas feast could thus be known,

It's origin surely were better shown.

[Answer on Monday.]

Major C.C. Cobbe.

Major C.C. Cobbe of The Buffs, has gone on retired pay. He joined the Buffs through the militia in 1888, was for five years an adjutant of Indian Volunteers, and has the Chitral Expedition and the Malakand campaign to his credit.

Miss Maud Allan.

Miss Maud Allan's recent injury is of such a serious nature as to necessitate her taking complete rest for four weeks. She proposes to leave Bombay for a more bracing climate, probably going to Darjeeling.

1888.

HONGKONG TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO.

(Compiled from the "Hongkong Telegraph" files for the Week Ending December 27, 1888.)

Vetoed.

December 22.—"After about two years' intermittent labour an annex to the Government Civil Hospital has been practically completed. It is intended to be used as a fever ward, principally, and will contain twenty-five beds in the four rooms, which are about 45 feet by 25 feet, besides offices, quarters, etc. As a sort of semi-official inauguration, Dr. Aikman, the House Surgeon, a week or so ago organised a concert at which many local vocalists had consented to assist. The invitations were sent out for last night, and many, including Dr. Stewart, whilst Acting Governor, accepted, 'with thanks.' His Excellency Sir William Das Voore, who returned on Tuesday from pleasuring, apparently objected to this innocent celebration, and sent an intimation to that effect on Thursday. His Excellency's taste in vetoing a semi-private celebration of this kind is open to question, and we certainly wonder at his disregard for the convenience of everybody concerned in doing so at the last moment, when infinite trouble and some expense had been gone to in decorating the rooms, sending and accepting invitations, preparing songs, etc. The least he could have done should have been to let the Hospital authorities know that it was not His Excellency's high pleasure that the concert should take place, and a moment's reflection would have shown him that what his representative, Dr. Stewart, had practically given his patronage to could not be seriously subversive to discipline or injurious to the community."

Cricket.

December 22.—The annual match between Hongkong C.C. and the Garrison concluded on this date, the latter winning on first innings by 26 runs. For the losers L.D. Orlinton, R.N., was top scorer with 31, other good scores being T. Sercombe Smith, 28 and 12, F. Matland, 15 and 13. Major Churchill, 58th Regiment, headed the list for the winners with 39 to his credit.

Hongkong Choral Society

December 24.—In this issue there is a lengthy account of a performance by the Hongkong Choral Society of Gilbert and Sullivan's "Iolanthe". The following comment is worth reproducing:—"As a whole the cast of principal characters was weak—decidedly weak. We regret to have to place it on record, but we have a penchant for the plain unvarnished truth, and a very awkward and inconvenient habit of telling it *malgre* the consequences." A special word of thanks is penned regarding the pianist, Mr. G. P. Lammer. Throughout weeks of weary rehearsal he has been invaluable, and his brilliant playing was a conspicuous feature of Saturday's representation."

Magisterial Matinees.

December 27.—"The accommodated Magistrate who held matinees during the holiday had not a single full house, and there was nothing worth reporting. This morning Mr. Pollock frowned on two sons of Mars—Privates Jones and Simmons, of the 58th. They had been trying to uphold the proud boast of their Regiment that any two of them could put a head on any one policeman—and they had got badly left. They were going along Queen's Road East very early yesterday morning, when they met a coolie, who omitted to knock his head three times on the ground. Jones's fiery Welsh blood could not brook this, and he smote the coolie on the ear. A Sikh came up and seized him; whereupon Simmons attempted to make him let go. They were both ultimately arrested, after being ignominiously chased by a Chinese policeman. Jones admitted hitting the coolie, and Simmons agreed that he might have given the Sikh one—but a very little one. Six dollars each."

PANAMA AND OUR DOLLAR.

[Specially Contributed.]

An article on "The Indian Commission and Silver" appears in the November Nineteenth Century from the pen of Mr. Moreton Frewen and is of the greatest interest to all communities using silver as the basis of their coinage and especially to those who, like ourselves in China, are likely to witness in the near future tremendous fluctuations in our currency owing to the opening of the Panama Canal, the pending U.S. control of Mexican finances, and the not unlikely recommendation of the Royal Commission now considering "the measures taken by the Indian Government to maintain the exchange value of the rupee and whether the existing practice is conducive to the interests of India."

Mr. Frewen recalls the familiar effects of the machinations of the Indian Government in 1909 when the (from the point of view of Imperial finance) unfortunate recommendations of the 'Fowler committee' of 1898 were put into practice to establish a 'gold exchange standard' in India, and more than a year's output of the world's silver mines was purchased, sending the price up everywhere. The immediate effect was to reduce Chinese importers almost to insolvency. For the next three years the Indian Government purchased no silver whatever and the market went to pieces, the tael falling from 3s. 7d. to 2s. 5d. in a single quarter at the end of 1907. This fall in silver is practically a subsidy on Chinese exports which went up by leaps and bounds and "the next result was that China, unable to buy our gold (exchange) and thus our steel and iron, for the first time in history erected for herself in Hankow great steel-rolling mills and commenced the export of pig iron in full cargoes. Hankow is to-day selling high-grade pig iron f.o.b. for 16 taels a ton. Now the gold price of 16 taels in 1873 was 5 guineas, and in 1907 it was still 22 10s., and in 1908 only 21 18s. 6d. It is quite safe to say that no white labour in the world has ever produced pig iron for any such gold price, and for this, the convulsion in exchange caused by the Sino-Silver operations in 1907 must be held directly responsible."

Mr. Frewen cites an excellent instance to show how Eng-

1888.

SHARE REPORT.

The quotations which follow are from the Hongkong Telegraph for December 27, 1888.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.

—158 per cent. premium, buyers.

Union Insurance Society of Canton.—\$90 per share, sellers.

China Traders Insurance Co. Ltd.—\$75 per share, buyers.

North China Insurance—£12. 290 per share, buyers.

Canton Insurance Company, Ltd.—\$97 per share, buyers.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$340 per share, buyers.

China Fire Insurance Company—\$78 per share, sellers.

Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company.—40 per cent. premium, buyers.

Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company.—\$221 per share, sales and sellers.

China and Malacca Steamship Company.—\$175 per share, sales and sellers.

Hongkong Gas Company.—\$135 per share, sellers.

Hongkong Hotel Company.—\$170 per share, nominal.

Indo-China S.N. Company.—17 per cent. dis., sellers.

Douglas Steamship Company.—\$65 per share, buyers.

China Sugar Refining Company, Ltd.—\$197 per share, sales and sellers.

Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Ltd.—\$88 per share, sales and sellers.

Hongkong Ice Company.—\$101 per share, buyers.

Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd.—\$79 per share, sellers.

Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company.—76 per cent. premium, sales and sellers.

EX-POLICEMAN CONVICTED.

Stole Zinc at Kowloon.

A Chinese, an ex-constable, was arrested at Kowloon, yesterday in possession of a piece of zinc to which he had no right. He told the police that the metal was given him by an Indian but this story was proved to be false.

At the Police Court, this morning, Mr. Hazeland, fined him \$10, or in default, one month.

land's trade in the East goes astray with the fall of silver. In June 1893 the closing of the Indian mints sent silver down 9d. an ounce. "Now in 1892, Hakodate had advertised for tenders for 1500 tons of iron water pipes. A British firm obtained the contract at 4 guineas per ton. This cost Japan 28 of her silver dollars, per ton. In 1891, Hakodate again wanted 1500 tons of pipes and the same British firm tendered, and this time at 4 sovereigns per ton. But now the exchange, instead of 28 dollars for 4 guineas, was 40 dollars for 4 sovereigns; and this being so, Hakodate refused all the tenders, erected her own iron foundry, and has since become an important exporter of iron water pipes both to China and India."

The above example makes clear the remark of Mr. Gibbs (afterwards Lord Aldenham and governor of the Bank of England) before the Chilian Gold and Silver Commission in 1883: "I shall be exceedingly surprised if any intelligent person will dispute the general statement that a depreciated currency decreases the initial cost and stimulates the production of commodities intended for export." Asked by Lord Herschell "Then in your view the advantage to the producer in silver-using countries is simply that he pays less wages?" Mr. Gibbs replied "Less gold wages."

"At this moment," comments Mr. Frewen, "the loss of gold by South America through exchange discoveries Brazil, the weakest member. The price at which Brazil can produce for export rubber and coffee dominated the world's price of those two staples. A fall in the price of silver is merely another expression of the fact that the 'premium' on gold has risen, and this not for a mere handful of South America farmers, but for 800,000,000 Asiatics. Thus the opening of the Panama Canal presents us with the silver question once more as the predominant economic issue of our time."

Mr. Frewen as a silverite has naturally not a good word to say for India's present "dishonest currency"—selling 91 for 16d to the natives—because, as he says, in 1893 a handful of wealthy Nabobs, their life's work done at forty, and anxious to remit home at 16d rupees worth (intrinsically 9d.), "took advantage of the ignorance and innocence of the government of Mr. Gladstone." The effect of debased currency on the mortality in famine time is sufficiently elucidated by the following question put to the writer by Senator Teller during the U.S. National Monetary Commission; which he was unable to answer and which so filled him with shame that he observed "it is all-important that Englishmen should in future refuse to appear in the witness chair before any foreign currency commission. Such questions as these are not questions which should go by default." Here it is: "Now suppose, as was the case in India, that our people here, instead of keeping their gold in the banks in coin, melted down the coin and shakkled it on their limbs for safe keeping. Supposing we had a famine, and the Government closed our mints to the free coinage of gold, and sold a coined gold dollar not for its weight in gold but for perhaps twice its weight in gold, and that our people proceeded to die from the artificial price exacted by our officials for the coins with which they bought their food; is this exactly what the Government of India has done by its citizens? Would there under similar conditions be great unrest in the United States?"

CRICKET.

Club Defeated by Services Team.

Though the H.K.O.C. put up a good total in their first innings against the United Services, the latter replied to such effect in the two days match that they secured the honours of the game. Pearce in the Club's first innings failed to get a century by seven runs, while among the top scorers were—H. Hancock, 53; Major Bowen, 49; Mid. Fawcett, 38 and E. N. Anderson and R. Hancock 30 each.

UNITED SERVICES; FIRST INNINGS.

Capt. Robertson, b Anderson	10
Lt. Hutton R.M.L.I. c and b Anderson	27
Mid. Stewart, R.N. b Donnelly	2
Capt. Mathews, R.G.A. b Sayer	68
Mid. Fawcett, R.N. c Thurstfield, b Cobb	0
Lt. Pym, R.G.A. c Hancock b Thurstfield	8
Major Bowen P.D. b Sayer	5
Lt. Bagnall, R.G.A. b Sayer	13
Ft. Pay. Pearson, R.N. b Donnelly	10
Rev. Hastings, R.N. b Sayer	2
Lt. White, not out	1
Extras	12
Total	156

Bowling.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Anderson	12	2	49
Donnelly	13	1	53
Cobb	5	3	16
Thurstfield	3	—	12

H.K.C.C. — FIRST INNINGS.	
A. C. Elborough, b Hutton	29
T. E. Pearce, c Bowen, b Hastings	93
A. A. Claxton, b White	10
G. R. Sayer, run out	0
R. Hancock, c and b White	0
R. N. Anderson, b Hutton	30
H. Hancock, b Hastings	7
R. Thurstfield, b Hastings	13
D. E. Donnelly, not out	18
M. M. Maas, run out	0
B. H. Cobb, c Mathews, b Hastings	2
Extras	18
Total	220

Bowling Analysis.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Hastings	21	6	45
White	15	3	51
Hutton	13	1	59
Pearson	9	—	42
Bagnall	2	—	3

UNITED SERVICES; SECOND INNINGS.

Capt. Robertson c Anderson b Sayer	7
Lt. Hutton c and b Sayer	27
Lt. Pym b Sayer	19
Capt. Mathews b Anderson	8
Mid. Stewart b Sayer	0
Mid. Fawcett c H. Hancock, b R. Hancock	38
Lt. Bagnall c and b Anderson	19
Major Bowen c R. Hancock b Donnelly	40
Ft. Pay. Pearson c and b Sayer	12
Rev. Hastings c R. Hancock b Donnelly	10
Lt. White not out	10
Extras	5
Total	202

Bowling.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Donnelly	11	3	47
Sayer	17	—	78
Anderson	6	—	43
Thurstfield	3	1	6
R. Hancock	4	—	23

H.K.C.C.; SECOND INNINGS.

A. C. Elborough, run out	2
T. E. Pearce, c Bagnall, b White	0
A. A. Claxton, c Stewart, b White	0
R. Hancock, b Hutton	30
G. R. Sayer, c Pearson, b White	8
R. N. Anderson b Hastings	1
H. Hancock b Hastings	53
R. Thurstfield b Hutton	2
M. M. Maas c White, b Hastings	0
D. E. Donnelly not out	3
P. H. Cobb, b Hastings	2
Extras	14
Total	118

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Hastings	14	2	30
White	14	2	40
Hutton	5	1	18
Bagnall	5	2	7

Kowloon A beat Kowloon B. Yesterday an inter-club match between Kowloon A. and Kowloon B. was played at King's Park, the former winning by 25 runs. The principal scores were: J. Stalker 61, J. P. Robinson 52,

and W. Kay 42. De Rome had the best bowling average, taking four wickets for 26 runs. The scores were as follow:—

KOWLOON "A."

W. Kay c Collins b MacKenzie	42
L. M. Whyte b de Rome	4
J. H. Mend b de Rome	1
W. T. Elson stumped Edwards, b de Rome	4
W. L. Weaver c Davidson, b de Rome	0
P. G. Morris b Goldsmith	16
J. P. Robinson b Rouse	5
G. Wolf b Stalker	9
A. W. E. Davidson c and b Stalker	0
K. R. Macaskill not out	12
Extras	13
Total	153

Bowling.

O.	M.	R.	W.
de Rome	8	2	26
Stalker	6	1	22
MacKenzie	5	0	23
Blackburn	5	0	34
Goldsmith	4	0	11
Collins	1	0	1
Rouse	2	0	23

KOWLOON "B."

P.W.A. Wilkie b Kay	10
E.J. Edwards b Weaver	4
H.S. Rouse c Robinson b Kay	0
F.J. Jewell b Weaver	0
F.J. de Rome c Macaskill b Kay	7
J. Stalker b Morris	61
D.J. MacKenzie c Collins, b Kay	6
L.J. Blackburn b Kay	1
K.R. Macaskill b Morris	9
H.E. Goldsmith not out	8
L.O. Collins run not	11
Extras	5
Total	128

Bowling.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Kay	11	2	41
Weaver	10	3	50
Morris	7	0	32

MORE ARMS.

Plausible, But Did not Hold Good.

Mr. J. H. Gardiner, defending a man charged before Mr. Wood at the Police Court, this morning, with being in unlawful possession of a revolver and ammunition, said that he pleaded guilty to the possession, but he wished to state the facts of the case to his Worship. The man arrived by the s.s. Hoihow, having arrived back from the country after winding up his father's estate. Feeling that he needed protection, he purchased the revolver and ammunition and as he was staying at Kowloon for a few days he intended approaching the Captain superintendent of Police with a view to obtaining permission. His instructions, said Mr. Gardiner, were to the effect that when the man was asked by the Revenue officer if he had any arms he said he had.

The Revenue officer denied that the man made the admission, and a fine of \$50, was imposed.

Nicely Caught.

A Chinese found coming from the s.s. Empress of Russia with a Savage rifle concealed on his person, was arrested and brought to the Police Court this morning, by Inspector Fenton.

Defendant denied to Mr. J. R. Wood that he was employed on board the ship.

A fine of \$250, or in default three months, was imposed.

Clever Capture.

A Chinese made a mistake when he thought he could conceal a Mauser pistol and 100 rounds of ammunition in a sack which contained bottles, at West Point, yesterday. A Chinese detective captured him, and at the Police Court, this morning, Mr. Hazeland imposed a fine of \$250, or in default one month, on the defendant.

A New City Subway.

A new subway for pedestrians across Cannon-street opposite Mansion House Station was formally opened by the Lord Mayor recently. The subway has cost about £17,000. The crossing at this point is reckoned one of the most dangerous in the City, no fewer than 24,000 vehicles passing every working day.

HONGKONG WEDDING.

Miss Lillian May Smith—Mr. E. T. Singer.

A quiet wedding ceremony took place this morning at St. John's Cathedral when Miss Lillian May Smith only, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Smith, of Brooklyn N.Y., was married to Mr. Eugene Theodore Singer, of the Standard Oil Co., eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Singer of Brooklyn, N.Y.

The service was conducted by the Rev. V. H. Copley Moyle, chaplain to the Cathedral, while Mr. Lenman Fuller presided at the organ.

The bride, who wore a travelling dress of blue, was given away by Mr. J. Walker Bolles of the Standard Oil Co., and was attended by Miss Hannah Bolles. Mr. Herbert John Morse, also of the Standard Oil Co., acted as best man.

After the service a reception was held at Kingsclere when the happy couple were heartily congratulated by many friends. The honeymoon is being spent at Macao.

ATHLETICS.

Chinese Young Men's Christian Association Annual Sports.

The eight annual sports of the Chinese Young Men's Christian Association of Hongkong were held on Boxing Day at the Happy Valley Race Course. There were in all sixty-three entries and eighteen events. The weather was ideal for sports and the results were in every way very satisfactory.

The following were the Officers of the Day:—President Mr. J. M. Wong; Vice President, Dr. Ho Nai Hop; Stewards, Messrs. Geo. Lam and F. M. Mohler; Handicap Committee, Messrs. Geo. Lee, J. M. Dyer, H. Gittins; Judges Messrs. Lam Woo, T. M. Elliott, J. M. Wong, J. L. McPherson; Time Keepers, Messrs. B. W. Tape, and Cheung Tai; Clerks of the Course, Messrs. Allen, Chan Mak Heung, Wong Po-keung, S. L. Hob, H. Archie, Dr. Young Siu-tuen, Pan Y. Ying, Chan Po-shang; Committee, Messrs. Wong Po-keung, Tsai Cheung, Lau Fuk-kie, Chan Harr, H. Archie.

The Chinese Young Men's Christian Association's Brass Band furnished music during the afternoon and tea was served to a large crowd of Association members and friends.

The following are the results:—Long Jump, 1st, J. Wilson, 16ft 8; in 2nd Ip Kwan; 3rd, S. N. Wong.

Hundred Yards, Handicap, 1st, Chan Quan Chin, rec. 4 yds, Time 11 seconds; 2nd, N. Mahomed; 3rd S. N. Wong, Ser.

High Jump, Championship, Cheung U. Pui, 4ft 8; in 2nd, A. Kew.

Girl's Race, under 10 years, handicap, 1st, Miss Chan Woon Nam; 2nd, Miss Wong Yu Chan; 3rd Miss Chung K. ai Kwan.

One Mile Championship, 1st, J. M. Dyer, Time, 5 min 32 secs; 2nd Cheung U. Pui, 3rd Ip Kwan.

Boys Race, under 10, 1st Chan Ki-keng, Chan Ki-tso.

Bicycle Race, Two Miles, Handicap, 1st Chan Hung-kin, rec. 500 yds, 2nd A. Gifford, rec. 100 yds, 3rd A. E. Moy Hing, Ser.

Quarter Mile, Handicap, 1st Jordan Wong, 2nd, Chan Quan-chin, 3rd, A. Kew.

Putting the Shot, 16 lbs, 1st, Rodney Lee, 24ft 9 in. 2nd Geo Lee, 3rd, Lau Fuk-kie.

Walking Race, One Half Mile Championship, 1st, Rodney Lee, 2nd, Cheung U. Pui, 3rd, J. Wilson.

Ladies' Nomination, 1st, J. M. Dyer, 2nd, H. Lam, 3rd, J. R. Chan.

Team Race, Dyer, Ip, Willson, Kew.

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Rubber Market.

London, Dec. 17.

The quotation for Para Rubber Fine, Hard, Cure, December and January, is 3s. 1d. buyers. The tone of the rubber share market is quiet.

London, Dec. 17.

The total quantity sold at the Mining Line auction was 670 tons. The tone of the auction was quiet.

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SHORT STORY.

THE ZIBELLINE COAT

BY EDITH MACVANE.

Out of the elegant Parisian crowd swarming through the hall of the Ritz at the hour of dejeuner, two men suddenly detached themselves to Fanny Gordon's eye. One, a very tall and cynical-eyed young man, was conspicuous for his red fez and much befogged uniform. The other, whose blue eyes glittered with an evident excitement, wore a fur-lined coat of noticeable richness. As the two passed by Fanny on their way to the vestiaire, the Turkish officer tossed a newspaper into the hand of his Parisian companion.

"There, monsieur," he cried gaily, "do me the favour to read the correspondence from Constantinople, and I think you will be convinced!"

"After dejeuner, Pasha!" begged the Frenchman, with a little deprecating smile, as he stuffed the newspaper into the pocket of his fur-lined coat.

The next moment they had both left their outer garments in the cloak-room, pocketed the checks, and mingled with the drifting crowd that with one accord were moving toward the hotel's restaurant.

Though hungry with the unspoiled appetite of twenty-four years, Fanny dared not follow them. That very morning, after a brief but violent scene, she had separated from Mrs. de Morgan, the young widow who had brought her, a fatherless girl, to Europe. The source of her beautiful chaperon's facile wealth, the part which the young girl herself was perhaps to play in the proposed motor trip to Monte Carlo—Fanny shivered yet as she thought of the perils that her sharp eyes and quick logic had enabled her to discover in time. As a result, however, the sumptuous touring-car with its merry crew had departed for Mediterranean shores without her. And here stood Fanny Gordon alone in Paris, pinkcheeked and pretty in her blue Paquin suit and dashing furs of black fox, with thirty-five francs in her purse and not a soul in the world to whom she could cable for the price of a ticket home. As she faced this grim fact and its meaning, she turned suddenly sick, like an airman whose machine snaps beneath him in mid-flight.

Suddenly, and for the second time, her eye was attracted by a passing stranger—this time, however, with a warm and inexplicable thrill.

"There goes a man I'd like to know!"

As Fanny by chance had placed herself near the cloak-room, the newcomer perforce passed close by her. As he gave his silk hat and fur-lined coat to the attendant, his eyes met Fanny's for an instant. She noticed the bright blue of the irides, the haughty curve of the Roman nose between them; then, with a little thrill of girlish vexation, their utter and complete obliviousness to her own charming presence. Enraged at her momentary weakness, she turned her back; and when next she glanced toward the cloak-room, the stranger was gone.

Suddenly there came to her mind the thought of her own fur-lined motor-coat, a present from Mrs. de Morgan, which had been left here in the cloak-room at tea-time the day before. She opened her purse. Yes, the check was still here. Should she claim the coat, drive with it to the mont de pieté, and see if by pawning it she could obtain the price of a few days' board at some cheap pension?

With this thought in her mind, she turned toward the cloak-room. At that moment the young man with the Roman nose strolled past her once more, carrying a cocktail glass in his hand. With an air of supreme indifference, his clear blue eyes glanced about him as if he had come back from the restaurant to look for some one and that some one were not worth the seeking.

At the entrance of the cloak-room he suddenly stumbled, and the cocktail glass fell crashing to the floor. The attendant sprang forward to mend the damage. Quick as thought, the stranger stepped up to his overcoat, removed the check pinned upon it, and fastened it to the zibelline-lined coat worn by the gentleman who had entered with the Turk. The numbered slip belonging to this last he replaced upon the sleeve of his own garment, took a silk handkerchief from the pocket, blew his nose loudly, tossed a franc to the kneeling attendant, and strode back toward the restaurant. The whole business had been performed with such assurance and with an admirable sleight-of-hand that for an instant Fanny hardly realized the significance of what she had seen.

She thrilled with a sudden odd emotion. "He is teasing that fur coat! Why? His own is just as handsome!"

In the midst of her own enforced idleness, curiosity suddenly flamed high. She mused with intensity: "Why does he want that other man's coat? Why?"

Suddenly, with an odd little shock, she realized that if she chose to gratify her curiosity she need be afraid of no risks, because her situation could not possibly be worse than it was at present. Here was the immunity of the desperate. And, besides, the reward—the cash reward to be gained by returning the coat to the rightful owner! Quick as a flash, she jumped to her feet and strode to the door of the cloak-room, now empty of all but its attendant.

"That's a game two can play at!" she said to herself excitedly. A glance sufficed to identify her own brown motor-coat, hanging on its peg where it swift impulse, she raised her hand to her neck. She stumbled. The next moment a dainty pendant of turquoise and diamonds, the sole heirloom in her possession, flew out and lodged behind the steam radiator by the wall. Fanny uttered a muffled scream.

"Oh, please!" she begged the attendant. "My pendant! It's gone behind the radiator!"

The obliging garcon, warmed by the remembrance of Mrs. de Morgan's lavish tips, went down on his stomach and poked through the pipes with the point of a long pencil. Quick as a wink, Fanny detached the green numbered tag from her own motor-coat, pinned it to the sleeve of the zibelline overcoat whose number had already once been changed, attached the latter number to her own coat, and turned to thank the purple-faced and dusty attendant, who scrambled to his feet with her pendant in his hand.

With careless generosity she put a five-franc piece in his hand and peremptory him with the numbered check which she drew from her silver bag. "My coat, please!"

Her heart beat quickly and painfully. She felt herself launched in mid-adventure. The next moment the garcon had placed on her arm the coat that bore her number, and whose luxurious zibelline lining cuddled

with the warmth of a kitten against her side.

She turned toward the lift. Then, down the length of the arched corridor that led to the dining-room, she caught a glimpse of the young man with the Roman nose, whom it was now her chief purpose to avoid. No; her room would be the worst possible place. Who could tell how soon she would be interrupted and the mistake check rectified? Following the reckless impulse of adventure that had seized her, the excited girl dashed to the door of the hotel and out into the frosty March air.

"Call me a taxi quickly!" she said imperiously to the uniformed attendant at the door.

The next instant she was installed in a throbbing red motor. "Drive me to the Bois!" she said. "And, chauffeur, listen! I have been much annoyed by a man that is following me. If he attempts to follow the automobile, you are not to let him catch up. There will be a good *pourboire* at the end. Do you understand?"

The chauffeur nodded, and the machine started violently ahead across the Place Vendôme and whirled out into the Rue Boétie. Hurriedly Fanny turned the zibelline coat between her hands. If she could find clue to the owner's name and address, she might order the chauffeur to drive directly there, and avoid the scene that would be inevitable at the hotel.

There were pockets inside and out. A pair of fur motor gloves and goggles, a white silk handkerchief with the embroidered initial B, a last night's theatre programme, a bottle of violet perfume in a dainty satin case, tied up as for a present to a lady—these were all she found, except the copy of the *Matin* still sticking from the outer pocket. With a sudden thought, she opened the paper and searched its columns. Marked passages there were none, but a letter whirled to her feet. She snatched it. Her finger touched the wax that sealed it; but on the other side, to her intense disappointment, her eye beheld no address whatever. So far as its outside went, the envelope in her hand was entirely blank.

Should she break the seal? Should she return to the Ritz and seek the Turk and his companion? At that moment a siren screamed almost in her ears. Turning, she saw a large black car coming, and through its crystal screen beheld the bright blue eyes of the Roman nosed young man streaming straight into hers.

Her heart leaped. But her chauffeur, noting the pursuer, had crossed the Etoile into the Avenue du Bois at full speed. At this hour of dejeuner the Bois de Boulogne was almost empty, and the two machines thundered along at racing speed. Fanny's first thought was to take the letter which instinct warned her was the moving power of the whole affair, and secretly it closely inside the front of her blouse. Her second was to turn the fur coat inside out and slip it on. The superb zibelline lining, thus exposed to the air, had every appearance of a lady's winter coat. Then, leaning back in her corner, she enjoyed the chase.

But her triumph was brief. The taxi-cab with the advantage which pursued must have overpowered, held his own with the beautiful high-speeded machine behind it. But suddenly the chauffeur of the stranger, leaning across his master, bellowed to Fanny's driver in an argot whose syllables he keen ears could catch but could not translate. Its import, however, was forced to understand a few moments later, when her taxi, whirling for the third time about the lake, skidded, trembled, and came to a full stop.

Swallowing her sudden terror, she drew the fur coat about her and gazed out over the gray waters of the little lake. A voice, deep but of singularly agreeable quality, struck on her ear:

"Madame! I make you all my excuses, but I think that, by mistake, you took my driving coat, just now, at the Ritz."

With an air of languid surprise, Fanny turned. The face that she met struck her anew by its haughty and regular lineaments, which just now were bent on her with some severity, as on a naughty child. She answered briefly:

"Monsieur, it is you that are mistaken. I did not take your coat."

"But, madame," cried the stranger excitedly, "I beg your pardon, but that is my coat you are wearing at this instant! And, as you see, I have none."

In fact, he stood straight and supple in his dark gray suit, unsheltered from the keen March wind. But Fanny was obdurate. She even smiled slightly.

"Monsieur," she answered courteously, "it is always possible—the bry at the Ritz may have given me the wrong coat. If this is yours, describe to me the contents of the pockets and you shall have it immediately."

"Certainly," he replied promptly. "A pair of gloves. A handkerchief."

"What initial?" interrupted Fanny.

"B!" he replied, and his eyes defied hers. Then he added quickly:

"A newspaper. A—paper—"

"But these articles you enumerate, monsieur," returned Fanny smoothly, "are such as are commonly found in overcoat pockets. And as for the initial, of course—"

But this paper you speak of, we have there something more precise. Describe it please!"

He swallowed his obviously growing rage. "A—letter!"

She nodded. "Yes—directed to whom?"

"Mademoiselle—my concierge handed it to me as I left my house this morning, and—*ma foi!* I had not yet had time even to glance at it!"

"But, monsieur, it must have been directed to you, or your concierge would not have handed it to you!"

In the handsome face before her the lines of pride wavered and broke. The blue eyes, crinkling up into sudden dawning laughter, seemed for the first time to take cognizance of the girlish beauty before them. He glanced sideways to make sure that the drivers were out of hearing of them.

"Ah, Mademoiselle. Sherlock Holmes! I own you have the better of me there. I throw myself on your mercy. I confess, the coat is not mine—any more than it is yours!"

Fanny bridled. "But I am taking it back to its owner, monsieur!" she retorted briefly.

The stranger's eyes surveyed her with sudden gravity. He stepped toward her. "Mademoiselle, time presses. Every moment is of value. That coat, as you see, has two sides—broadcloth and fur. It has also two sides that you do not see; danger and riches. Take it back to Bazin, as you say, and you walk into the jaws of the first. Listen to me and—mademoiselle, mademoiselle, won't you trust me?"

"So Bazin is the name of the coat's owner, is it?" she said slowly, as fragments of gossip heard in Mrs. de Morgan's salon drifted back to her memory. "Bazin, the great financier?"

Ereitement at the possibilities awakened by this famous name ran and quivered in her voice. The stranger glared at her.

"Ah, the magic of a name! And yet, mademoiselle, perhaps my name alone may have its magic. But, if I present myself, what right have I to expect your belief? The one recommendation I have to you is that you have seen me steal! And yet, it is vitally important that you should trust me!"

He glanced about impatiently at the lonely trees. "If we were in the city, anybody could tell you who I am." He raised his voice to address his chauffeur

'Barbe, which is the nearest of the Bois' restaurants?"

"Monsieur, I should say—Amenonville."

"Then drive us there. Mademoiselle, will you do me the honour to accompany me?"

Fanny hesitated and her colour rose.

The stranger laughed. "Mademoiselle, please observe that if I were a man capable of violence I might long ago have used it in this solitary spot. On my word of honour as a gentleman, you can trust me! Do me the favour to step into my auto, and we will go to Amenonville."

In spite of the intensity of his voice, its accents invited confidence. She stepped into the tonneau, while the stranger paid her taximeter and flung himself into his place beside the chauffeur. Precisely sixty seconds later he had helped her from the car and was conducting her into the palm-lined hall of the Bois' smartest restaurant. At the desk sat a stout, arrogant man arranging gold coins in symmetrical piles. Fanny's escort strode toward him.

"Monsieur, a favour! Will you kindly tell this young lady who I am? It is a bet."

The stout man slid from his seat, knocking his golden piles into unheeded confusion. Arrangement became supplanted by humility as, bringing his heels together, he bowed and murmured:

"Monsieur le Vicomte! Too much honour! But who is there in Paris that does not know Monsieur le Vicomte Raoul de Châtelleraut?"

Fanny started. The Vicomte de Châtelleraut was one of the two most celebrated young men in Paris, its most famous duelist, its most dashing horseman, its most exquisite art connoisseur; the brother of the beautiful Duchesse d'Uzaz, gleams of whose aristocratic splendour had penetrated even the tawdry Bohemian circle into which Fanny's late chaperon had presented her.

"And now, if Monsieur le Vicomte will conduct Madame to the dining-room, I will engage to find him a table."

Fanny hesitated, but her healthy young appetite betrayed her. The next moment she was seated herself at a little flower-trimmed table in an angle of the crowded restaurant. With a courteous gesture, her escort lifted the fur coat from her shoulders, and she saw his hands run like water from one pocket to another. Then he plucked out the copy of the *Matin* and glanced with furious haste through its columns. His brow contracted—the paper rattled in his hand.

"There was something else!" he declared fiercely. "An inclosure—a letter!"

"If there was a letter," returned Fanny sweetly, as she applied herself to the *hors d'oeuvre*, "I can assure you, it was not directed to the Vicomte de Châtelleraut!"

Her host shot her a quick, savage glance. Then he plucked at his watch. "Half past twelve!" he said hurriedly. "At half past one Bazin will be back in the vestiaire looking for his coat—certainly no sooner, as he is one of the most celebrated gentlemen in Paris and had ordered a famous dejeuner for himself and the Pasha. But at half past one—Mademoiselle, the case is one of life and death, or near it. Instead of being my enemy, can I induce you to act as my ally?"

In his handsome face was all the charm of pride when it unbends to plead. Impulse, which had set Fanny to balking his schemes, now urged her to go over to his side. The waiter placed a plate of soup before her. She hesitated.

"Mademoiselle," said the Vicomte, in measured tones, "there is a reward of a hundred thousand francs to be earned before night-fall. Do you wish a sharp in it?" Fanny started. A hundred thousand francs! She nodded, dark eyes glowing. Her host surveyed her keenly.

"I had meant," he said, "to act alone. But fate has interfered. Without you I can do nothing. But with your help—if I may judge from the wit and audacity you have displayed—I can do that which I might not accomplish alone. And, in any case, I have no choice but to ask your aid. Will you give me your word of honour to serve me loyally? I need not say I give the same pledge to you. I only add, the adventure is one that may involve some risk of life."

At the intense earnestness of his tone a little shiver ran down Fanny's spine. Risk of life! But, after all, what was her life? And, left alone, where were her means to preserve it?

"Yes," she answered. "Like gimlets of light, her host's bright eyes bored into her soul. "You name, mademoiselle?"

She told him. He drew a long breath and touched her hand across the table in token of their alliance. "Mademoiselle, in trusting you with this secret I am trusting you with my life. But you have eaten of my salt, and your eyes are not eyes that could betray. Listen! This winter I have had heavy losses on the Bourse. And, so, like many others of my *monde* I occasionally act in the employ-ment of the Secret Service. At this moment—he lowered his voice and spoke with intense rapidity—"I serve Bulgaria, who wants me to procure for her a copy of the new secret treaty between Vienna and Constantinople. In this treaty, we have reason to believe, Austria agrees to supply Turkey with munitions of war, for the war she is now waging against the Balkan Allies. Turkey, on her side, grants Austria an exclusive concession for the new Teheran railway. If Bazin gets a sight of that treaty he may make millions by buying up all the land on the right of way, as well as subscribing to the capital stock. It is his last chance—I happen to know that if he does not succeed in pulling off this coup he is a ruined man. A desperate man, and dangerous! So, with all the money he can raise, he has bribed Irman Pasha to obtain him a sight of the treaty."

"This very morning the treaty was signed and sealed by the high contracting parties, the special envoys of Vienna and of Constantinople. And, according to secret information received at headquarters, the Turkish envoy drives directly after to the Ministry of War, where from two o'clock to five he is to be closeted with members of the French Cabinet. As for the treaty, he leaves it behind in his rooms at the Turkish embassy, under the care of his beloved nephew, Irman Pasha—while Irman profits by his absence by arranging with Bazin that in these three hours, Bazin shall slip into the embassy and with his own eyes read the treaty. And that newspaper that Irman tossed to Bazin, I have every reason to believe, holds the pass-words and the keys."

Fanny glanced at him shrewdly. "And, if you obtain them, you can enter the Envoy's apartments instead of Bazin?"

He nodded excitedly. "And, obtain the information for the Balkan Allies! So that they can know when and where to seize the Austrian importations of munitions of war into Turkey. In return for this intelligence, the government at Sofia will pay me a hundred thousand francs."

Suddenly, as the waiter stooped to place a blazing chafing-dish of oysters on the table, the Vicomte snatched again at his watch.

"Ten minutes gone! Mademoiselle, decide quickly, or *tennerre de Dieu!* I have betrayed my own secret uselessly, and neither of us shall touch a centime of the hundred thousand francs!"

Fanny started. A hundred thousand francs! She nodded, dark eyes glowing. Her host surveyed her keenly.

(To be Continued next Saturday.)

SHORT SERMON.

The Window That Opened Toward Jerusalem.

"Now when Daniel knew that the writing was signed, he went into his house; and his windows being open in his chamber toward Jerusalem, he kneeled upon his knees three times a day, and prayed, and gave thanks before his God, as he did aforetime."—Daniel, vi, 10.

I think there is a great lesson for us all in that little mention of Daniel's opening his window toward his Jerusalem.

We are all more or less rigorously held captive by the circumstances of our outward condition; we are never quite free to be where we would.

Compulsions and limitations press upon us. The exigencies of our lot imprison us.

We are always conscious of a sort of homesick longing for some other and better state—something that has been or that might be, or will be, or that at least looks possible and desirable.

There is almost always a certain degree of hardness and confinement and galling restriction in the immediate circumstances that hem us in.

Many a man's present actual condition is a perfect Babylon, a bondage, a state of exile from the soul's freedom and peace, a shutting out from all the fondest desires of the heart. And in the most favoured lot there are exigencies that galling the limbs and hem in the liberties of the soul and expose it to many an irksome endurance, and many an Assyrian humiliation, and many a sense of baffled endeavours and hampered facilities and darkened hopes.

We cannot live well or wisely or happily unless we have the means of escaping occasionally in spirit, and to a greater or less distance, from these daily scenes and straits and surroundings.

There must be windows to our chamber of life, looking afar and toward fairer scenes. And there are such windows provided, and we must open them, and keep them open, and sit at them, and kneel at them, and look away into the horizon, and breathe the air that comes from the distance, and so win freedom and expansion for our lives.

I have read somewhere that it is, or should be, a high principle of art that, in painting an interior view of any room or building, there should always be represented some outlook into the outdoor world. Some window or some door left ajar.

If this be wanting, the picture will not give pleasure, the writer said, and the spectator will have a feeling of confinement and of suffocation. But give him an opening, so he can look out, whether it be over city roofs, or into green landscapes, or the blue sky—somehow into the infinite outdoors—and he breathes freely, and even the prison cell looks then like a part of God's world.

There is no condition of life in which a human being can live happily or nobly unless it have windows for the soul to look through and breathe through, commencing with things fair and free in the distance.

Such windows are provided by the Great Architect.

They are memory and imagination and sympathy and hope and religious faith. These are the windows to be opened, and to sit at, and kneel at, like the exiled Hebrew in the chamber at Babylon.

Trades Dispute Bill.

The Employers' Parliament Council proposes to present next Session a Bill to amend the Trade Disputes Act by limiting the number of pickets to two, confining picketing to the place at which a person works, and to restore responsibility to labour unions.

Public Auctions.

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THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

MONDAY, the 29th December, 1913, commencing at 11 a.m.
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GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

G.  R.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the 29th day of Dec., 1913, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, of One Lot of Crown Land at Reclamation Street, Yau-mat, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements (Approximate)	Area in Acres	Area in Square Feet	Area in Square Meters
1	47	Reclamation Street, Yau-mat	47	47	318	218
2	48	Reclamation Street, Yau-mat	48	48	318	218
3	49	Reclamation Street, Yau-mat	49	49	318	218
4	50	Reclamation Street, Yau-mat	50	50	318	218
5	51	Reclamation Street, Yau-mat	51	51	318	218
6	52	Reclamation Street, Yau-mat	52	52	318	218
7	53	Reclamation Street, Yau-mat	53	53	318	218
8	54	Reclamation Street, Yau-mat	54	54	318	218
9	55	Reclamation Street, Yau-mat	55	55	318	218
10	56	Reclamation Street, Yau-mat	56	56	318	218

G.  R.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the 29th day of Dec., 1913, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, of the right to quarry Stone on the following Lots of Crown Land around Kowloon Bay in the New Territories, and elsewhere in the Colony of Hongkong, for a period of one year commencing from the 1st day of January, 1914.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements (Approximate)	Area in Acres	Area in Square Feet	Area in Square Meters
1	57	Hok Tin Quarry	57	57	318	218
2	58	Ma Tau Kok Quarry	58	58	318	218
3	59	Ma Tau Kok Quarry	59	59	318	218
4	60	Ma Tau Kok Quarry	60	60	318	218
5	61	Ma Tau Kok Quarry	61	61	318	218
6	62	Ma Tau Kok Quarry	62	62	318	218
7	63	Ma Tau Kok Quarry	63	63	318	218
8	64	Ma Tau Kok Quarry	64	64	318	218
9	65	Ma Tau Kok Quarry	65	65	318	218
10	66	Ma Tau Kok Quarry	66	66	318	218

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Consignees

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS, LIMITED.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
From EUROPE, COLOMBO and STRAITS.

THE Steamship

"MERIONETHSHIRE" having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence and/or from the Wharves, delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 30th Dec., at 5 p.m. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on 30th Dec., at 9.30 a.m. Claims against the steamer must be presented within 10 days of arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatsoever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by:—

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.
Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd Dec., 1913. [1092]

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

s.s. "CHINA"

From SAN FRANCISCO, JAPAN PORTS & MANILA.

The above mentioned vessel having arrived consignees of cargo are hereby notified to send in their bills of lading for countersignature and take immediate delivery of cargo from alongside.

Cargo impeding discharge will be landed into the Company's godown at West Point, at consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo undelivered by FRIDAY the 26th instant at NOON will be landed into the Company's godown at consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining undelivered TUESDAY, Jan. 6th, 1914, at noon, in addition to landing charges will be subject to storage charges.

No fire insurance whatever will be effected.

All chafed and otherwise damaged cargo will be examined at the above company's godown MONDAY, Jan. 5th, 1914, at 10 a.m.

No claims will be entertained unless accompanied by short delivery note or list of exceptions taken at the time of delivery to consignees, and signed for on behalf of the Pacific Mail S.S. Co.

All claims must be filed on or before January 23rd, 1914, otherwise they will not be recognized.

P. C. MORTON,
Agent.

Hongkong, 23rd Dec., 1913. [1091]

From EUROPE.

THE H. A. L. Steamship

"SILESIA"

Capt. H. Christiansen, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be carried on unless notice to the contrary be given to-day.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 29th inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 29th inst., at 9.30 a.m.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatsoever.

This steamer brings on cargo:—

s.s. "Frans" from Abus

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Christiana

"Lisboa" from Setubal

"Göteborg" from

Göteborg

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE.

Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 23rd Dec., 1913. [1096]

Consignees

"MONGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
THE STEAMSHIP "GHAEZE,"
FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL & STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of Holt's Wharf at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 27th inst., will be subject to rent.

All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 24th prox., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 27th inst., at 11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

DODWELL & Co., Ltd.
Agents.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

From CALCUTTA, PENA G AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"YATSHING,"

having arrived from the above Ports Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after Noon the 23rd inst., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by:—

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.
General Managers.

Hongkong, 22nd Dec., 1913. [1088]

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

The Steamship

"BENLAVERS"

From ANTWERP, MIDDLESBRO, LONDON & STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 26th inst., will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 31st inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 26th inst., at 11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will countersigned by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 19th Dec., 1913. [1085]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"ARRATOON APCAR,"

having arrived from the above ports, consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their goods are being landed from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed at consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board on the 29th inst., will be landed at consignees' risk and expense.

Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE are requested to take IMMEDIATE delivery of their goods from alongside, such cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.
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Hongkong, 26th Dec., 1913. [1101]

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"LUTZOW,"

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Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless information is received from the Consignees before noon to-day requesting it to be landed here.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods—remaining undelivered after the 1st of Jan., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 31st of Dec., at 9.30 a.m.

All claims must reach us before the 8th of January, 1914, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,

MEICHERS & CO.

Gen'l Agents.

Hongkong, 25th Dec., 1913. [1101]

Consignee

THE AMERICAN AND
MANCHURIAN LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

From NEW YORK & COLOMBO

THE Steamship

"KANDAHAR,"

Captain W. Keasley, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Monday, 29th inst., at 10 a.m.

All Claims must be presented within FIFTEEN DAYS of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 29th inst., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

SHEWAN TOMES & Co.

General Agents.

Hongkong, 21st Dec., 1913. [1098]

Notices

IT IS THE QUALITY IN
"PALL MALL" Cigarettes
that has brought it to the front.



LESSONS IN CHINESE.

MR. LI HON FAN, a Chinese graduate versed in literature, has been a teacher to European officials and merchants in this Colony for over ten years. He has a good method of training Europeans to pass in the Chinese examination, and is possessed of a first rate certificate as a Chinese teacher. He has also a good knowledge of Mandarin and Hakka. Those who intend learning the Chinese language are requested to write o/o "Hongkong Telegraph" office or direct to 37 Hollywood Road, 1st floor, Hongkong, 29th Jan., 1912.

Consignee

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S
ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP
LINE.

NO ICE TO CONSIGNEES.

R.M.S. "EMPEROR OF RUSSIA."

The above-mentioned steamer having arrived from Vancouver, Victoria and Japan Port, Consignees of cargo are hereby notified that their goods, with the exception of Parcels, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co's Kowloon where delivery can be obtained.

Goods on hand after the 2nd January will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

All damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns and this Office notified, when arrangements will be made for examination.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns

D. W. CRADDOCK,
General Traffic Agent.

Hongkong, 26th Dec., 1913. [1100]

"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

The Steamship "LENNOX,"

From GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL and STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of Holt's Wharf at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 2nd prox., will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 23rd prox., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 2nd prox., at 11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

DODWELL & Co., Ltd.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 21st Dec., 1913. [1098]

Consignee

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM SHANGHAI, KOBE & MOJI.

THE Steamship

"GREGORY APCAR,"

having arrived from the above ports, consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at consignees' risk and expense into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company Limited.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

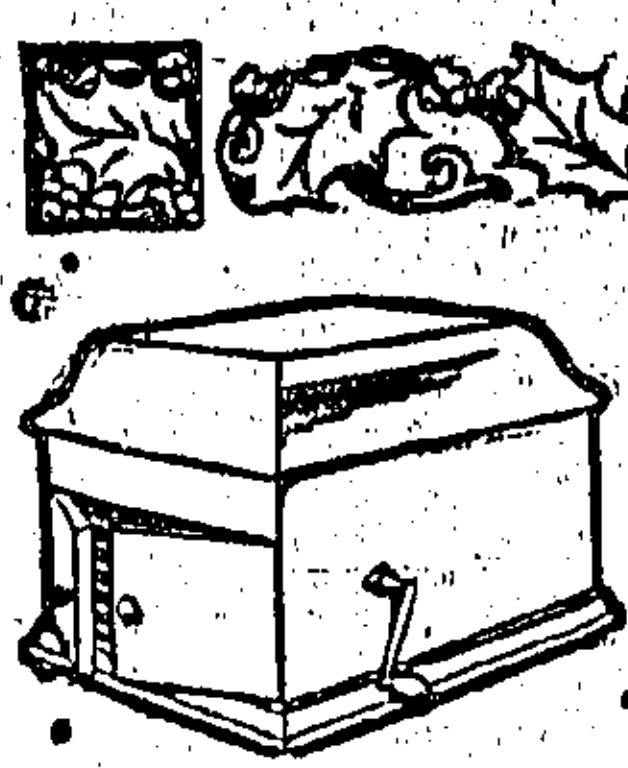
DAVID SASSOON & CO., LTD.
Agents.

Hongkong, 24th Dec., 1913. [1098]

To Sail

THE AMERICAN AND
ORIENTAL LINE.

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PRICES
\$35
to
\$225



No matter how much or how little you want to pay for a Christmas gift, you won't get anything that will give so much pleasure as a Victor or a Victor-Victrola.

There's one of these instruments at a price to suit every purse, and we'll arrange easy terms if desired.

Stop in any time and we'll gladly play any Victor music you want to hear.

MURRIE & CO., LTD.
EXCLUSIVE DISTRIBUTERS.



PRICES
\$35
to
\$225



Mr. Churchill and East-end Posters.

The easterners and street sellers of the East end of London have given practical form to their gratitude to Mr. Churchill for the attitude he took towards their representations when the Shops Act was passing through the House of Commons by presenting him, at Limehouse Town Hall, with a silver statuette representing a typical London crier with a burrow of fruit. A similar statuette was presented to Mr. Masterman, M.P., who was at the time Under-Secretary at the Home Office.

Public Companies

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that by a JUDGMENT of the REGISTRAR OF TRADE MARKS in the Colony of Hongkong under date the 29th November, 1913, the above Trade Mark, of which the following is a facsimile:



has been held to be the sole Property of Messrs. A. S. WATSON & Co., Limited, of Des Vaux Road Central, Hongkong, and is also held that Mr. HO WA alias HO WA SANG who as the sole Partner in the SUI O EONG Firm of No. 41, Wing Lok Street, Hongkong, claimed such Trade Mark as his Property had no right or title thereto whatsoever.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that as the Registered owners of such Trade Mark Messrs. A. S. WATSON & Co., Limited, will forthwith institute legal proceedings against any firm or person who may in any way infringe such Trade Mark whether by colourable imitation or otherwise howsoever.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers,
Hongkong, 16th Dec., 1913. [1081]

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Notices

WE have much pleasure in announcing to our numerous patrons and customers that we have opened

A New SILK STORE

In the most up-to-date style and fashion at the same time

Commodious Premises No. 38 & 40

Queen's Road Central,

lately occupied by Messrs. H. Rutledge & Son, where we are displaying an entirely new, handsome and gorgeous stock of

Silk Goods & Jewellery Ware

of all descriptions in a variety of new, elegant and attractive designs and patterns.

The stock includes a choice selection of Turkish, Persian & India Silk, Carpets & Woollen Rugs

in shades and elegant patterns.

Prices specially reduced for summer. Cheapest store in the Colony. As early visit earnestly solicited.

D. CHELLARAM.

Hongkong, 26th July, 1913.

THE CHINESE TELEGRAPH ADMINISTRATION.

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on and after 1st January, 1914, all telegraphic addresses which were registered at this Administration before 27th September, 1913, and which have not been renewed since by payment of a fee of \$12 for each address, will be cancelled and telegrams with cancelled addresses will not be delivered.

By order.

WONG TING-CHAN,

Local Manager.



KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY.

(British Section).

It is hereby notified that sealed tenders, which should be clearly marked "Tender for Kowloon Railway Station Building" will be received at the Colonial Secretary's Office up to noon on the 31st day of January, 1913, for the building of the Terminal Station at Kowloon Point for the Kowloon-Canton Railway (British Section).

On application at the Railway Head Office, Kowloon, the Drawings may be seen and copies of the Specification and full particulars obtained on the deposit of a fee of \$250 which will be refunded on the submission of a bona fide tender together with the return of the Specification intact.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

H. P. WINSLOW,

Manager.

Hongkong, 19th Dec., 1913. [1097]

Notices.

EUROPEAN AGENCY.

WHOLESALE buying agencies undertaken for all British and Continental goods, including—

Books and Stationery, Books, Shoes and Leather, Chemicals and Druggists' Sundries

China Earthenware and Glassware, Cycles, Motor Cars and Accessories, Drapery, Millinery and Hosiery, Fancy Goods and Perfumery, Hardware, Machinery and Metals, Jewellery, Plate and Watches, Photographs and Optical Goods, Provisions and Oilmen's Stores, etc., etc.

Commission 2 1/2% to 5%.

Trade Discounts allowed. Special Quotations on Demand. Sample Cases from £10 upwards. Consignments of Produce sold on account.

WILLIAM WILSON & SONS

(Established 1814).

25, ABCHURCH LANE, LONDON, E.C.

Cable Address: "Annular, London."

K. A. J. CHOTIRMALL & CO.

SILK STORE

No. 37, Queen's Road Central.

Ladies & Gentlemen

We beg to bring to your kind notice that we are holding a GREAT CLEARANCE SALE of all kinds of Indian

Chinese and Japanese Silk goods, etc. for one month only, commencing from 1st to 31st DECEMBER, 1913, which we are disposing of at exceptionally reduced prices on account of taking

yearly stock and would like to draw your kind attention to the fact.

AN INSPECTION EARNESTLY SOLICITED.

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE, 1865

and

IN THE MATTER OF GEO. FENWICK & CO., LTD. (In Liquidation).

NOTICE is hereby given in pursuance of Section 179 of the Companies Ordinance, 1865, that a general meeting of the above named Company will be held at the Offices of the Liquidators, No. 5 Queen's Road Central on Tuesday, the 8th day of January, 1914, at 12 o'clock noon precisely for the purpose of having on account showing the manner in which the winding up has been conducted and the property of the Company disposed of laid before such meeting, and for the purpose of considering and approving the proposed final return of \$3.50 per share on the issued Capital, determining the Liquidators' remuneration, hearing any explanation that may be given by the Liquidators and also of determining by extraordinary resolution the manner in which the Books, Accounts and Documents of the Company and of the Liquidators thereof shall be disposed of.

Hongkong, the Fourth day of December, 1913.

PERCY SMITH

SETH & FLEMING,

Liquidators.

Banks

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

Head Office: 60, Wall Street, New York

London Office: 1, Abchurch Lane, E.C. 4

BRANCHES: Kobe, Manila, Mexico, Panama, Peking, San Francisco, Shanghai, Yokohama

Capital and Surplus: Gold \$2,000,000

EVERY DESCRIPTION OF BANKING BUSINESS

NEARLY ALL CURRENCIES OPENED ON THE SPOT

DEPOSITS RECEIVED, fixed for one year at 4 per cent, or for shorter periods, at rates, which may be arranged on application.

ALL NEGOTIATED AND COLLECTED.

MAIL AND TELEGRAPHIC REMITTANCES

LETTERS OF CREDIT AND DRAFTS payable on all the principal cities of the world.

THE BANK'S CIRCULAR LETTERS OF CREDIT are available all over the world.

COMMERCIAL LETTERS OF CREDIT

PURCHASE AND SALE of Stocks and Shares

TRAVELLERS' CHECKS and "Cash" checks

9, Queen's Road, Hongkong

Hongkong, 1st Nov., 1913.

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK LIMITED.

Established 1880.

Authorized Capital Yen 48,000,000

Paid-up Capital " 30,000,000

Reserve Fund " 18,500,000

Head Office.—YOKOHAMA.

Branches: Antung-Hsien, Bombay, Calcutta, Changchun, Dairen, Fengtien, Harbin, Hankow, Honolulu, Kobe, Liao-Yang, London, Lyons

Agencies at: Nagasaki, Newchwang, New York, Osaka, Peking, Ryojun Port, San Francisco, Shanghai, Tientsin, Tokyo, Los Angeles

Interest Allowed on Current Account

Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to be obtained on application.

EISHI ONO, Manager.

Hongkong, 30th Sept., 1913. [18]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

Incorporated by Royal Charter 1853.

HEAD OFFICE.—LONDON.

Paid-up Capital £1,200,000

Reserve Fund £1,700,000

Proprietors Liability £1,200,000

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking business transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for 1 year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

A. S. HEWETT, Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 11th April, 1912. [22]

Notice:

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

(Capital Paid up...£1,250,000.)

Loans on Mortgage of House Property, &c.

Goods received on Storage.

Advances made on Merchandise.

Loans made on the Provident System.

(Rates and Particulars on application.)

The Office of TRUSTEE, EXECUTOR OF WILLS, ATTORNEY, &c., Undertaken and Executed.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co. General Managers.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1908. [32]

PEAK TRAMWAY CO. LIMITED.

TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.

10.00 A.M. to 10.00 A.M. Every 15 Mins.

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Banks

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-up Capital \$15,000,000

RESERVE FUNDS:

Sterling

\$1,500,000 at 2 1/2%

\$15,000,000

Silver ... 17,450,000

\$32,450,000

Reserve Liability of

Proprietors \$15,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

S. H. DODWELL, Esq.,—Chairman.

Mr. D. LANDALE,—Deputy Chairman.

G. FRIEDLAND, Esq.

E. GOETS, Esq.

C. S. GUBBAY, Esq.

P. H. HOLYOAK, Esq.

G. R. LAURENCE, Esq.

W. L. PATTENDEN, Esq.

J. A. PLUMMER, Esq.

Hon. Mr. R. SHELLIN.

H. A. SIEBS, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER:

Hongkong—N. J. STABB.

MANAGER.

Shanghai—A. G. STEPHEN.

London Bankers—London County and Westminster Limited.

Hongkong—Interest Allowed:

On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per Annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS.

For 3 months, 2 1/2 per cent. per Annum.

For 6 months, 3 1/2 per cent. per Annum.

For 12 months, 4 per cent. per Annum.

N. J. STABB, Chief Manager.

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed on the minimum monthly balances at 3 1/2 Per Cent. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 Per Cent. per annum.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

N. J. STABB, Chief Manager.

DEUTSCH ASIATISCHE BANK.

Capital Fully

Paid-up Sh. Taels 7,500,00

Head Office.—Shanghai.

Board of Directors.—Berlin.

Branches:

Berlin, Calcutta, Canton, Hamburg, Hankow, Kobe, Peking, Singapore, Tientsin, Tsingtau, Yokohama.

LONDON BANKERS:

Messrs. N. M. Rothschild & Sons.

The Union of London and Smith's Bank, Limited.

Deutsche Bank (Berlin), London Agency.

Direction der Disconto Gesellschaft.

Dresdner Bank.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account DEPOSITS received on terms which may be learned on application. Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

R. TIMMERSCHEN, Manager.

Hongkong, 9th Oct., 1911. [2]

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COMMERCIAL.

SHARE REPORT.

Messrs Wright and Hornby in their share report, dated December 24, states:—

Owing to the Christmas holidays our report is issued earlier this week. A fair amount of business has been done chiefly for settlement account the market closing firm.

Bar Silver is 20.5/8 per oz. ready and 28.5/8 per oz. for forward delivery, market firm. Exchange on London opened to-day at 111/3-18 T.T.

Para Rubber is quoted from London at 3/4 per lb. and the market for shares firm.

Banks:—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks changed hands in fair quantities at \$700 and there are further buyers. London quotes \$80/.

Marine Insurance:—Underwriters are offering at \$810.00 and have sellers at \$325. North China have buyers at \$113. Yangtze are wanted at \$102 1/2 or 73.

Fire Insurance:—China Fires were sold at \$161 and have further sellers. Hongkong Fires were done at \$330 and are still offering.

Shipping:—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamers are firm with buyers at \$20 after sales at \$20 and \$20. Douglas are unchanged at \$30 sellers. China Manilla are quiet with sellers at \$10. Star Ferries are required for at \$45. Indo-China have declined to \$79 sellers. Shell Transports are quoted from London 97/8 middle price.

Docks, Wharves & Godowns:—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have been done at various rates and forward from \$73 to \$75 closing firm with buyers at \$75. Kowloon Wharves are stronger with buyers at \$80. Shanghai Docks are unchanged at \$11.55 at Hongkong Wharves at \$11.10.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings:—Hongkong Lands have been booked at \$114 and \$114 closing with buyers at the latter rate. Humphreys Estates are steady at \$91. Kowloon Lands are wanted at \$45. West Point has buyers at \$67. Hongkong Hotels are unchanged at \$122 and \$92 for the old and new shares respectively. Shanghai Lands are steady at \$11.51.

Refineries:—China Sugars are offering at \$94 after sales. Lanzas have sellers at \$30.

Mining:—Raub have buyers at \$3 and sellers at \$3.10. Tronohs declined to 36/6 middle price in London. Kailans have sellers at 35/. Langkats have changed hands from \$14.34 to \$14.35 cash and equivalent rates forward, closing with buyers at \$14.36 cash.

Cotton Mills:—Hongkong Cottons are wanted at \$7.50 have buyers at \$13.22. Sanyang Cottons are steady at \$12.3. Lau Kung Mow have buyers at \$14.105. Kung Yik have changed hands at \$14.14 and there are further buyers.

Miscellaneous:—There are buyers of China Borneo at \$10. China Providents at \$83. Dairy Farms \$28 1/2. Green Island Cements at \$7.100 at \$180 and A. S. Watsons \$71. There are sellers of Hongkong Electric at \$48 1/2. Union Waterboats at \$17 1/2. China Light and Powers at \$4 1/2. Wm. Powells at \$9 1/2 and Low Level Trams at 8/.

Quotations received from London by cable to-day:—
Banks \$80/- Middle price.
Indos 100/-
Shells 97/4
Tronohs 38/6

FOOTBALL.

Army v. Navy.

Teams representative of the Army and Navy met in a football match at Happy Valley, yesterday afternoon, a remarkably good game resulting. Being a holiday, naturally there was a good crowd of spectators, fully 3,500 witnessing the game.

The teams lined up as follows:—
Navy:—Holtmann; Harrison and Lane; Snaddon; Oram and Lyvender; B. Terham; Adams, Reed, Smith and Front.

Army:—Moore; Fife and Coxon; Tregalga, List and Ferrigan; Pinward, Kelly, Green, Davis and Mosley. Referee, Mr. F. W. Elzer.

The sailors got the better of the spin and commenced with a strong sun behind them. The game had barely commenced when the military custodian was called on to handle. Green Davies, Mosley and Oram were a quartet which continually appeared in the limelight during the early stages of the game. Then Frost made matters lively by cleverly engineering the ball past Fife, and put in a centre which was left unattended. After Green and Pinward had done their share in getting the ball forward Kelly took the leather in his charge and succeeded in opening the scoring. Play was then transferred to the other end of the field, but ere it was possible to equalise, the ball was cleared. The sailors meant business however and a few seconds later they were again attacking the soldiers' goal. Reed sent in a terrific shot which compelled the custodian to stretch himself full length to save. It was left to Frost to do the scoring, and he rattled in a shot that Moore could not hope to compete with. Pinward and Kelly commenced to live matters for the Army and after some good play brought the ball to the extreme end of the field. A corner was the result, but it was a fruitless one. Mosley got possession and passed to Davis. The latter, after some clever manoeuvring, slipped the ball to the redoubtable Kelly, and the goal was again pierced. Barely had the applause subsided when Smith equalized with a splendid shot from long range. Half time:—Army 2 goals, Navy 2 goals.

In the second half the Army did not waste any time and were simply all over the sailors. Kelly scored number three in fine fashion. Davis then penetrated, and the fifth goal was scored by Green. Result:—Army 5 goals, Navy 2 goals.

SILIMPON COAL.

BUNKERS

can be supplied cheap rates at

SANDAKAN & SEBATTIK

(British North Borneo). At these ports steamers calling for bunker coal exclusively are exempt from all shipping dues and charges.

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POST OFFICE.

New Year's Holidays.

On Thursday 1st January the Post Office will be open from 8 to 9 a.m. In the event of the arrival of the English Mail from Europe the Post Office will be open for one hour for the delivery thereof.

There will be one delivery of ordinary correspondence and one collection of letters each on Saturdays.

There will be a delivery of registered correspondence during the morning of the 27th inst.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed during the holidays.

1st of January being a holiday, mails for Empress of Russia will be closed at 6 p.m. on 31st December.

The United States mails ex. Nip have been transferred in Japan to the Eastern which is scheduled to arrive here on Wednesday, the 31st inst.

MAILS VIA SIBERIA.

Left London Dec. 12 Due Shanghai Dec. 27

MAILS DUE.

American, Eastern, (ex Nip) 31st inst.

MAILS CLOSE TO-MORROW.

Straits and India via Calcutta—Per G. APCAR, 28th inst., 9 a.m.

Swatow Amoy and Fuzhou via Tamsui—Per DAIGIN MARU, 28th inst., 9 a.m.

MONDAY, 29th December.

Shanghai and North China—Per WING-SANG, 29th inst., 5 p.m.

TUESDAY, 30th Dec.

Shanghai & North China—Per SHAO-SHING, 30th inst., 10 a.m.
Straits, Straits, Ceylon, Aden, Western, Australia, India, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles (Late Letters 11 a.m.). Extra Postage 10 cents. Letters posted in all the pillar boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.—Per POLYNESIAN, 30th Dec., 11.00 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Fuzhou—Per HAI-CHING, 30th Dec., 10 a.m.

Philippine Islands—Per SUNGKIANG, 30th Dec., 3 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 31st Dec.

Pakhoi, Hongkong and Saigon—KAI-FONG, 31st Dec., 9 a.m.

Shanghai, & North China—Per KANGSING, 1st Jan., 5 p.m.

Shanghai, North China, Japan via Nagasaki, United States, South America and Canada via Vancouver (Europe via Siberia)—Per EMPRESS OF RUSSIA, 31st Dec., 6 p.m.

THURSDAY, 1st Jan.

Shanghai and North China—Per LUCHOW, 1st Jan., 9 a.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per KING-SING, 1st Jan., 9 a.m.

FRIDAY, 2nd January.

Swatow, Amoy, and Fuzhou—Per HAIYANG, 2nd Dec., 10 a.m.

Tsingtau, Wei Hai-Wei, Chefoo, Dalny and Chinkwangtao—Per CHEONGSHING, 2nd Jan., 11 a.m.

Philippine Islands, Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand via Thursday Island—Per EASTERN, 2nd Jan., 10 a.m.

SATURDAY, 3rd Jan.

Jessilton, Kudat and Sandakan—Per BORNEO, 3rd Jan., 8 a.m.

Straits, Burma, Ceylon, Aden, Western, Australia, India, Aden, Egypt, and Europe via Brindisi (Late Letters 11 a.m. to noon, Extra Postage 10 cents) (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail (Extra Postage 10 cents) (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail).—The Parcel mail will be closed on Friday the 2nd Jan., 5 p.m.—Per HIMALAYA, 3rd Jan., 11 a.m.

Philippine Islands—Per LOONGSANG, 3rd Jan., 1 p.m.

Shanghai, North China, Tsingtau, (Europe via Siberia)—Per CHENAN, 3rd Jan., 5 p.m.

SATURDAY, 10th Jan.

Philippine Islands, Australia, Tasmania & New Zealand via Port Darwin—Per CHANG-SHA, 10th Jan., 9 a.m.

SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVED.

Lennox, Br. s.s. 2,361, J. H. Sheroff, 25th inst.—Singapore, 19th inst., Gen.—D. & Co.

Teau, Br. s.s. 1,357, J. V. Sidford, 26th inst.—Maula, 23rd inst., Gen.—B. and S.

Glenfalloch, Br. s.s. W. L. Gardner, 25th inst.—Singapore, 18th inst., Gen.—T. O. and Co.

Coblenz, Ger. s.s. 1,869, L. Klugkist, 25th inst.—Kutchinotzu, 21st inst., Gen.—M. & Co.

Tamora Maru, Jap. s.s. 2,443, Nommu, 25th inst.—Moli, 18th inst., Coal—M. B. K.

Machew, Ger. s.s. 996, R. G. Zollner, 26th inst.—Hankow, 17th inst., Rice—B. and S.

King Sing, Br. 1,229, H. G. N. Walker, 25th inst.—Dahly, 21st inst., Beans—J. M. & Co.

Shaoching, Br. s.s. 1,307, E. M. French, 26th inst.—Shanghai, 23rd inst., Gen.—B. and S.

Koonshing, Br. s.s. 1,333, J. M. Wright, 25th inst.—Shanghai, 24th inst., Gen.—J. M. & Co.

DEPARTED.

December 27

Coblenz for New Zealand
Wosang for Shanghai
A. Apcar for Shanghai
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Yuenang for Shanghai
Kanchow for Tsingtau

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per s.s. Teau from Manila on the 26th inst.—E. Robinson, B. Truncher.

Per s.s. Machew from Bangkok etc., on the 26th inst.—Oramann.

Per s.s. Shaoching from Shanghai on the 26th inst.—Mr. & Mrs. Mayers and E. S. Hillier.

Per s.s. Lutzow from Hamburg on the 25th inst.—O. Lawler, J. Bagram, Lady Chinter, H. Streiff, A. Carrelli, F. Langford, J. Danielson, Lo Yuet-soon, E. Courtois, Mr. and Mrs. G. Zund, Wong Eng-tsun, Mr. C. Taylor, Miss M. Putnam, Miss E. Jordan, J. Moore, D. F. Smith, M. Richter, E. Christensen, Miss A. Syrington, A. Livingston, Mrs. M. Baddatz, H. Schamberger, P. Nimmingshoff, B. Miller, H. Wegner, A. Noz, E. B. Mucke, E. Krohn, H. Abner, Miss L. Smith, I. Nassoni, Mrs. G. Goebert, Mrs. E. Ertich, Ber. G. Maris, Steak R. Bohlhand, Miss J. Dreth, Tung Kwo-chi, Tang Koon-chue, Soen Kwang-teng, Wan Shing, Leng Tsoi, Leung Tong-choy, Choo Sum, Sim Tai Ming, Sim Seong, Lau Ah Ngow, E. Dorward, B. Chong, Tong Kung-hung, Tong Yim, Loke Kwey, Mrs. Tong Tin, Mrs. Kiewpoh.

SHIPS PASSED THE CANAL.

London 19th Dec.

Arrivals from China—Ernest Simons Kleist.
The following vessels have passed the Canal:—Lyo Maru, Macedonia, Persia, P. E. Friedrich, Glenfalloch, O. J. D. Ahlers.

London, 23rd December.

Arrivals from China—Jason, Noleus. The following vessels have passed the Canal:—Benavon, Dougalton, Annam, Atreus, Kasama, Delko, Rickmers, Laomedon.

TIDE TABLE.

22nd Dec., to 28th Dec. 1913.

	High Water	Low Water	High Water	Low Water
	Mean Time	Mean Time	Mean Time	Mean Time
Mon. 22	11.55	4.55	11.55	4.55
Tues. 23	12.05	4.45	12.05	4.45
Wed. 24	12.15	4.35	12.15	4.35
Thurs. 25	12.25	4.25	12.25	4.25
Fri. 26	12.35	4.15	12.35	4.15
Satur. 27	12.45	4.05	12.45	4.05
Sun. 28	12.55	3.55	12.55	3.55

m morning, a afternoon.

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WEATHER REPORT.

On the 24th at noon—Pressure has increased slightly along the east coast of China, over N. Luzon and N. Annam. It is now decreasing slightly at Hongkong.

A depression is shown to the north-east of Hokkaido. The anticyclone is moving eastward. It is now central in the neighbourhood of Shanghai.

The monsoon will probably be interrupted to the north of Fochow, but remain strong to fresh over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District.	Forecast.
1 Hongkong and Neighbourhood	N.E. winds, fresh;
2 Formosa Channel	N.E. gale moderating;
3 South coast of China between H.K. and Loo-choo	The same as No. 1.
5 South coast of China between H.K. and Hainan	as No. 1.

China Coast Meteorological Register. 24th December, a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind.	Weather.
Westoek	7a	30.04	8	50	0	0
Nemuro	6a	29.75				ws w 2
Hakodate	"	29.89				wnw 3
Tokio	"	30.08				wnw 1
Kochi	"	30.25			sw 1	
Nagasaki	"	30.37			n 1	
Kshima	"	30.31			n 2	
Oshima	"	30.28			nne 2	
Naha	"	30.28			ne 4	
Yokohama	"	30.27			nne 4	
Bonin Is.	"	30.08			nne 1	
Chefoo	"					
Whaiwei	"	30.30	92	89	waw 4 b	
Hankow	"					
Ichang	"					
Kiukiang	"					
Shanghai	"	30.53	30	nne 1	0	
Shanghai	"	30.44	35	n 4	cv	
Swatow	"	30.43	51	ene 4	c	
Amoy	"	30.36	51	72	ne 1 b	
Taihu	"	30.33	52	86	n 2 b	
Taihu	"	30.33			e 4	
Taihu	"	30.22			n 4	
Taihu	"	30.22			n 4	
Taihu	"	30.15			ne 10	
P'ores	"	30.25			n 10	
Canton	"	30.35	47	77	n 10	
H'kong	"	30.29	54	77	n 10	
Gap Rock	"	30.27			ne 5	
Macao	"	30.27	49		n 2	
Wachow	"					
Pakhoi	"					
Hatoh	"					
Paulien	"	30.23	50		n 3	
Tourane	"	30.10	64	nne 7 f		
O. St. J.	"	29.55	73	ene 2 f		
Appari	"	30.04	72	ne 2 r		
Mailla	"	29.95	75	ne 0		
Legaspi	"	29.80	75	nne 1		
Iloilo	"	29.91	80	ne 2 b		
Bacolod	"	29.82	84	nw 1		
Cebu	"	29.82	84	w 1		
Labuan	"	29.98	79			

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Hongkong, Observatory, Dec. 24th.

1 Barometer, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit on the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.

2 Temperature, in the shade, in degrees Fahrenheit.

3 Humidity, in percentage of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture.

4 Direction of Wind, to two points.

5 Force of Wind, according to Beaufort Scale.

State of Weather, b blue sky, c detached cloud, d drizzling rain, f fog, g gloomy, h hail, i lightning, o overcast, p passing showers, q equally, r rain, s snow, t thunder, v visibility, w dew wet.

0 Rain in inches, tenths and hundredths.

METEOROLOGICAL.

Previous	Day	On date	On date
	a. m.	p. m.	a. m.
Barometer	30.13	30.15	30.12
Temperature	61	57	64
Humidity	76	89	68
Wind Direction	ESE	Calm	W
Force	1	0	2
Weather	o	o	b
Rain	0.25		
Highest open air temperature on the 25th	61		
Lowest " " " " " "	57		

H. K. Observatory, 25th Dec.

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